

## Major Medicaid Categories

Category	Description	Monthly Income Limit	Resource Limit	Additional Information
Families First	Low income single-parent families with children under age 18. Children who are in school and expected to graduate by age 19 may be included.	Family of 1-\$944 gross Family of 2-\$1338 gross Family of 3-\$1589 gross Family of 4-\$1658 gross	\$2000	This program is called TANF (Temporary Assistance for Needy Families) in other states. Eligibility is determined by DHS. Monthly cash assistance is provided by DHS.
PLIS (Poverty Level Income Standard) pregnant women and children	Low income pregnant women and children up to age 18	-Pregnant women and infants to age 1: 185% poverty(\$2316 for a family of 3) -Children from age 1 to age 6: 133% poverty (\$1665 for family of 3, \$2007 for family of 4) -Children from age 6 to age 18: 100% poverty (\$1252 for a family of 3 or \$1509 for family of 4)	None	Eligibility is determined by the Department of Human Services.
SSI (Supplemental Security Income)	Low income aged, blind, and/or disabled individuals	\$545 for an individual \$817 for family of two	\$2000 for individual \$3000 for family of 2	This is a Medicaid category even though eligibility is determined by the Social Security Administration. Monthly cash assistance is provided by SSA.
Institutionalized Individuals	Low income persons who require care in a nursing facility (NF) or intermediate care facility for the mentally retarded (ICF/MR)	\$1635 for an individual	\$2000	Need for placement in a nursing facility or ICF/MR is determined by the Bureau of TennCare or the Division of Mental Retardation Services. Financial eligibility is determined by DHS.
Medically Needy or Spenddown	Low income persons who are also - aged, blind, and/or disabled - a pregnant women or child under age 18 - certain caretaker relatives of dependent children - Certain other children up to age 21	An individual must either have income no more than the figures below or must have sufficient unreimbursed medical bills to "spenddown" to these income limits; depending upon family size: Family of 1 - \$241 Family of 2 - \$258 Family of 3 - \$317 Family of 4 - \$325	\$2000 for individual \$3000 for family of 2	Eligibility is determined by DHS. The "spenddown" income level is set by the state. A person can have other health insurance and qualify under this category because it is Medicaid.
QMB (Qualified Medicare Beneficiaries)	Low income persons eligible for Medicare Part A	To qualify, one must have income at or below 100% of poverty: Family of 1 - \$739 Family of 2 - \$995 Family of 3 - \$1252 Family of 4 - \$1509	\$4000 – family of 1 \$6000 – family of 2	State is required to pay Medicare premiums, deductibles, and coinsurance for these individuals. They are not eligible for TennCare unless they meet the criteria for one of the other eligibility categories. Eligibility for QMB status is determined by DHS.
SLMB (Special Low Income Medicare Beneficiaries)	Low income Medicare beneficiaries	120% of poverty Family of 1 - \$886 Family of 2 - \$1194	\$4000 – family of 1 \$6000 – family of 2	State is required to pay Medicare Part B premiums for these individuals. They are not eligible for TennCare unless they meet the criteria for one of the other eligibility categories. Eligibility is determined by DHS.

QI 1 (Qualifying Individuals)	Low income Medicare beneficiaries who are <u>not</u> eligible for Medicaid or TennCare	Between 120% and 135% of poverty Family of 1 - \$997 Family of 2 - \$1344	\$4000 – family of 1 \$6000 – family of 2	State is required to pay Medicare Part B premiums for these individuals as long as federal funds are available. They are not eligible for TennCare unless they meet the criteria for one of the other categories. Eligibility is determined by DHS.
QI 2 (Qualifying Individuals)	Low income Medicare beneficiaries who are <u>not</u> eligible for Medicaid or TennCare	Between 135% and 175% of poverty Family of 1 - \$1273 Family of 2 - \$1714	\$4000- family of 1 \$6000 – family of 2	State pays the cost differential due to the home health services from Part A and Part B Medicare coverage. Eligibility is determined by DHS.

### TennCare Categories

Category	Description	Monthly Income Limit	Resource Limit	Additional Information
New TennCare Applicants - Uninsurable adults below 100% poverty	Adults who are poor and have been turned down for health insurance or have medical conditions that would cause them to be turned down for private insurance. <b>This category is known as Medically Eligible.</b>	Adults who are new applicants must have income below 100% of poverty: Family of 1 - \$738 Family of 2 - \$995 Family of 3 - \$1251 Family of 4 - \$1508 Family of 5 - \$1765 Family of 6 - \$2022 Family of 7 - \$2278	None	A person must call the Department of Human Services in their area to set up an appointment to begin their application for “Medical Eligibility”.
If you already have TennCare, you will be able to keep it if - you are a child below 200% of poverty without access to health insurance - an adult below 100% of poverty without access to health insurance - Medically Eligible at any income	- Children who are enrolled in TennCare as uninsured and are below 200% poverty - Adults who are enrolled in TennCare as uninsured and are below 100% of poverty - Both children and adults, who are above their limits listed above can keep their TennCare if they qualify as medically eligible (uninsurable)	Adults on TennCare can keep it if their income is below 100% of poverty (listed below) and they do not have access to health insurance. Children can have twice the amount below and keep their TennCare:  Family of 1 - \$738 Family of 2 - \$994 Family of 3 - \$1251 Family of 4 - \$1508 Family of 5 - \$1765 Family of 6 - \$2022	None	Adults 100% of poverty and over and children at 200% of poverty and over will be removed from TennCare unless they qualify as medically eligible or qualify for Spenddown.
You can also keep your TennCare if - a child who has access to insurance, who is below 200% of poverty and enrolled since before 12/31/01 - have Medicare, on TennCare as uninsurable, and enrolled before 12/31/01.	-Children who were enrolled in TennCare as of 12/31/01 and who have access to health insurance will be able to keep TennCare if they are below 200% of poverty -People with Medicare who were enrolled in TennCare as uninsurable as of 12/31/01.	Children can stay on if their income is below 200% of poverty, as listed below: Family of 1 - \$1476 Family of 2 - \$1989 Family of 3 - \$2503 Family of 4 - \$3016 Family of 5 - \$3530 Family of 6 - \$4043	None	Children with access to insurance who were enrolled after 12/31/01 will be disenrolled.  People on Medicare who got on TennCare after 12/31/01 will be disenrolled unless they qualify for Medicaid.